

or place, shall be returned for non-acceptance or non-payment, with a legal protest, the person or persons to whom the same shall or may be payable, shall be entitled to recover and receive of and from the drawer or drawers, or the endorser or endorsers of such bill of exchange, the damages hereinafter specified, over and above the principal sum for which such bill of exchange shall have been drawn, and the charges of protest, together with lawful interest on the amount of such principal sum, damages and charges of protest, from the time at which notice of such protest shall have been given, and the payment of said principal sum and damages and charges of protest demanded, that is to say: if such bill shall have been drawn upon any person or persons, or body corporate, of or in any of the United States or territories thereof, excepting Upper and Lower California, New Mexico and Oregon, five per cent. upon such principal sum; and if upon Upper or Lower California, New Mexico or Oregon, ten per cent. upon such principal sum; and if upon China, India or other parts of Asia, Africa or islands in the Pacific ocean, twenty per cent. upon such principal sum; and if upon Mexico, the Spanish Main, West Indies or other Atlantic islands, east coast of South America, Great Britain or other places in Europe, ten per cent. upon such principal sum; and if upon places on the west coast of South America, fifteen per cent. upon such principal sum; and if upon any other part of the world, ten per cent. upon such principal sum.

SECTION 7. So much of any existing law as may be inconsistent Repeat. herewith, is hereby repealed.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 431.

A N A C T

To incorporate the Pennsylvania exploring and mining company, and relative to the election of assessor in North Penn township, Philadelphia county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That Richard Jones, Samuel H. Jones, Samuel Fowler, Charles J. Gilbert, Samuel T. Jones, James L. Curtis and Daniel H. Curtis, and such other persons as may associate with them, their successors and assigns, be and they are hereby created and made a corporation and body politic,*

Style.

Privileges.

by the name, style and title of "The Pennsylvania exploring and mining company," and by that name and title shall have succession, and shall be capable in law to sue and be sued in any court of law or equity, to have and use a common seal, and at pleasure to alter the same, with the right of exploring for minerals and of mining zinc, and other ores associated therewith, and cleansing and manufacturing the same, with power to lease, purchase and hold such mining properties and real and personal estate as may be necessary to the mining, conveying, cleansing and manufacturing zinc and other ores associated therewith, to sell, lease and mortgage the same, or any portion thereof: *Provided*, That the value of the same shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars.

Capital stock.

SECTION 2. That the capital stock of this company shall be six hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of twelve and a half dollars each; and the said shares shall be deemed and considered personal estate; and it shall be lawful for said company to grant certificates of shares in full or part payment for the real or personal estate and mining rights that may be purchased or leased, and by the by-laws to compel payment of instalments not exceeding three dollars on each share at any one time not deemed or declared full stock; and on failure to pay any instalment, to forfeit the stock and all previous payments made thereon, giving at least sixty days' previous notice of such call and demand in a newspaper published in the county of Northampton, and in one published in the city of Philadelphia.

First directors.

SECTION 3. That Richard Jones, Samuel H. Jones, Samuel Fowler, Charles J. Gilbert, Samuel T. Jones, James L. Curtis and Daniel H. Curtis, shall be the first directors to organize and manage the affairs of said company, and shall continue in office until the second Tuesday in June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Board of directors.

Officers.

Vacancies.

SECTION 4. That the property and affairs of this company shall be managed and conducted by seven directors, being share-holders and citizens of the United States; the president shall be appointed by the directors from one of their number, and the directors shall have power to appoint such other officers and agents as may be deemed necessary to carry on the business of said corporation, and fill all vacancies that may occur from any cause whatever in their own body, and make all needful by-laws not inconsistent with the laws of this commonwealth, or of the United States.

Annual election.

SECTION 5. That the annual election of directors shall take place on the second Tuesday of June in each year, commencing on the second Tuesday of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, at some convenient place in the borough of Easton, in the county of Northampton, between the hours of twelve o'clock at noon, and three o'clock in the afternoon of that day; all elections shall be by ballot, and each share entitled to one vote, and the vote may be by person or proxy; two weeks' previous notice shall be given in a newspaper published in each of the counties of Northampton and Philadelphia; and if from any cause an election for directors shall not take place at the appointed time, it shall not therefore work a forfeiture of this charter, but a new election shall be ordered in conformity to the by-laws of said corporation.

Transfer of stock.

SECTION 6. That no transfer of stock of said corporation shall be valid or effectual until such transfer shall be entered or registered in the book or books to be kept by the president or directors for that purpose, which said book or books shall be closed for the purposes of transfer of stock fifteen days before each election for directors, and no person shall be allowed to vote upon any stock, unless the same has been transferred

to him or her, and registered in the said transfer books more than fifteen days prior to the election at which he or she claims to vote; and all the books of said corporation shall be open to the inspection of the stockholders, except the said transfer books.

SECTION 7. That the exploring and mining operations of said com- Place of opera-
pany shall not extend in this commonwealth beyond the limits of the tion.
county of Northampton.

SECTION 8. That the right is hereby reserved to the legislature to alter, amend or repeal this act, whenever in their opinion it may be in- Reservation.
jurious to the citizens of this commonwealth; in such manner, however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporation.

SECTION 9. That it shall and may be lawful for Francis D. Mower, duly elected assessor of North Penn township, in the county of Philadelphia, at the election for township officers held on the third Friday of March last, in the several wards and townships of the county of Philadelphia, to take an oath or affirmation according to law, and file a copy of the same in the office of the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, within thirty days from the passage of this act, and the same shall be as good and valid, as if the same had been taken and done within twenty days after his election, agreeably to the provisions of the eighty-eighth section of the act of assembly, passed April fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 432.

A N A C T

Incorporating the Methodist Episcopal church in Halifax, Dauphin county; relative to the enrolment tax on charitable or religious corporations; and to opening and extending South, Prince, Lime and North Queen streets, in the city of Lancaster.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That a corporation is hereby created which shall be called by the name, style Style.
and title of "The Methodist Episcopal church in Halifax," and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be Privileges.
sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and elsewhere, and shall be able and capable in law and equity to take, hold and receive to them and their successors for the use of the said society, lands, tene-